

INDIANS WANT MORE FOR LAND

Claim Officials Are in Grafting Game in Connection With Lands Flooded by New Dam.

SPOKANE, Wash., Dec. 25.—Coeur d'Alene Indians will testify against the Washington Water Power company in the overflow land case to occupy the federal court at Coeur d'Alene on Monday. The Indians of the reservation are not satisfied with \$1.25 per acre settlement for the land flooded by the Post Falls, Idaho, dam.

Clarence Butler, an educated Indian from near St. Maries, on the St. Joe river, declares that Superintendent Worley, the national protector of Indians, and Allotting Agent Louis made affidavits that the flooded land was worth but \$1.25 an acre when the fact is the Indians raise as high as 400 sacks of potatoes from an acre and in one instance made \$300 from an acre of peppermint raised as an experiment. The Indians unanimously declare that there is graft connected with the case.

LANDHOLDERS TOLD TO RAZE WIRE FENCE

FORT RIDWELL, Cal., Dec. 25.—The government has issued demands on many large landholders of this section to tear down fences they had built around large tracts of government land, thereby holding the land against settlement. Many thousands of acres have been held in this manner, depriving small stockmen, sheepmen and homesteaders of their rights. Some are tearing down the fences while others will fight the demand.

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RICH ORE FOUND IN CURRY COUNTY

Muncy Brings Out Word of Rich Strike Near Mouth of the Rogue River in Curry.

PORTLAND, Dec. 25.—Reports of a rich discovery of copper ore at the mouth of the Rogue river in Curry county were brought to Portland yesterday by Isaac A. Muncy, a member of the legislature for that county and a miner of many years' experience in Oregon. Mr. Muncy has placed 50 pounds of the ore on exhibition in the Abington building. It carries a large percentage of native copper and is said to run high in gold, silver, platinum and iridium. A specimen sample from the croppings on the ledge, upon which only the location work has been performed, runs \$150,000 to the ton.

The strike is located between eight and nine miles from the mouth of the river and is in the vicinity of the McKinley mine, which has been operating for some 12 years.

"M. W. Duncan was the original discoverer of the new ledge," said Mr. Muncy at the Hotel Perkins last night. "A half interest in one of the properties has been acquired by A. H. Wilson, of 940 Kirby street, Portland, and I am here for the purpose of conveying the deeds and closing that sale. The price paid by Mr. Wilson is \$6600.

"We have always figured that the McKinley mine was on the mother lode of the district, but that was evidently a mistake. The new discovery has been found to be a much stronger ledge, wider and carrying good values wherever it has been opened. The smallest assay of which I have any knowledge was one which gave a value of \$500 to the ton. My experience as a miner is staked on the value of this discovery to the mining interests of Oregon, and have no hesitation in declaring it to be the greatest of recent years."

Mr. Muncy came to Oregon in 1852 and has devoted most of his life to the mining industry. He will also confer with smelting interests before his return to Rogue river, and unless the ore can be treated on the ground arrangements will be made to bring it out by boat.

SHELDON CHEATS LAW BY DEATH

Man Who Stole Millions Died at His Home Before Ever Going to Trial on Case.

NEW YORK, Dec. 25.—George Preston, who was accused of stealing over a million dollars from the Phoenix Insurance company and who faced a term in the penitentiary on seven grand jury indictments charging embezzlement, died tonight at "The Maples," his home at Greenwich, Conn.

Sheldon was to have been tried early in January. By his death he has escaped the law.

CANADA BUYS FIRST WARSHIP FOR COAST

OTTAWA, Ont., Dec. 25.—Canada has purchased from the British government the cruiser Rainbow. This is the first vessel of the new Canadian navy. The government is negotiating for the purchase of a second and larger cruiser from the British admiralty. The Rainbow is a second-class twin-screw scurrier. It will be used as a training ship for recruits for the Canadian navy. Its full equipment is 273 officers and men. The Rainbow will likely be sent to the Pacific coast.

NO POOR JAPANESE COMING SAYS BARON

WASHINGTON, Dec. 25.—Baron Yasuya Uchida, newly appointed ambassador of the Japanese government to this country succeeding the recently recalled Baron Takahira, arrived in Washington today from San Francisco.

The baron said the friendly feeling between the United States and Japan is daily growing stronger. Japan is keeping its poorer emigrant classes at home and only students and members of the privileged classes are coming here.

He speaks glowingly of the reception given him in California.

WORKERS ISSUE THREAT OF DEATH

Man Applied to Police for Protection Saying That He Has Been Told to Leave Town.

SPOKANE, Wash., Dec. 25.—Claiming that he is threatened with death by the Industrial Workers, Mike Bollah, an Austrian with considerable means called the police to his house this afternoon and told them that he had remained in the seclusion of his own home for three days, fearing to pass beyond its steps. Bollah testified in court against another Austrian who is a member of the Industrialists a few days ago. The prisoner was sentenced to the rock pile. Bollah declares that immediately afterwar she was warned by a stranger to leave the city immediately under pain of death. His house is guarded by police tonight.

WORLD'S PRODUCTION OF GOLD IS FALLING OFF

WASHINGTON, Dec. 25.—The world's production of gold and silver for the calendar year 1908 is estimated by the bureau of the mint, based upon official and unofficial information to have been: Gold, 21,378,480 fine ounces, of the value of \$441,932,200; silver 203,186,370 fine ounces of the commercial value of \$108,684,400.

Compared with 1907, there was an increase in the gold product of \$31,376,900, and in the silver an increase of 18,992,300 fine ounces. The greatest increase in the product of gold in any country of the world was in Africa, which increased from \$151,699,600 in 1907 to \$166,520,500 in 1908. The increase in the United States was \$4,124,300. Mexico's increase was \$3,690,100.

The largest increase in the production of silver was in Mexico and amounted to 12,517,000 fine ounces. Canada followed with an increase of 9,326,200 fine ounces. There was a decrease in the silver production of the United States as compared with 1907 of 4,074,000 fine ounces.

CITY NOTICES

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Assessment No. 22—M. W. and H. H. Tuttle, lot 7, block 2, Tuttle's subdivision in the city of Medford, Oregon, frontage 53 feet on east side King street, South, described Vol. ... county recorder's records of Jackson county, Oregon; 53 feet; rate per foot 63 cents; amount due \$33.39.

Assessment No. 23—M. W. and H. H. Tuttle, lot 6, block 2, Tuttle's subdivision in the city of Medford, Oregon, frontage 53 feet on east side King street, South, described Vol. ... county recorder's records of Jackson county, Oregon; 53 feet; rate per foot 63 cents; amount due \$33.39.

ELECTRIC LIGHT FOR DESTROYING INSECT

European forests have recently been ravaged by a moth which appears in immense numbers and has caused serious damage, especially to conifers. In Saxony means to abate the plague have been given particularly careful study, and the electric light was found to be the best weapon.

It was noted that the moths were most active between the hours of 10 p. m. and 1 a. m. and it was during these hours that the electric light was employed. In Zittau the street lights were turned off at the earlier hour, and the load of the town electric lighting plant thus rendered available was used to operate 40-amp. searchlights in pairs. Between each pair a powerful suction ventilator was stationed, having a piece of wire netting a few inches beyond the outlet. The insects, attracted by the light, were drawn into the ventilator, and when discharged against the netting were either disabled or killed. The beams from the searchlights were directed toward the neighboring forest, and insects in enormous numbers were attracted to the brilliant source of light and finally sucked in by the ventilator and destroyed.

In the perfected device, as finally adopted, two searchlights are employed, adapted for currents from 30 amp. to 50 amp. and shielded in front by highly polished glass disks. In front of them and somewhat lower are two lamps. Immediately below and between these two lamps is the opening of the ventilator. An electric motor attached to this produces 1200 and other insects infecting fruit trees.

son, frontage 53 feet on east side of King street, South, described Vol. ... county recorder's records of Jackson county, Oregon; 53 feet; rate per foot 63 cents; amount due \$33.39.

Section 2. And it is hereby ordered and ordained that said several assessments and the liens thereof be entered in the water main lien docket of said city, and that thereupon notice be given the owners or reputed owners of said property, and that the same be enforced and collected in the manner provided by the charter of said city for the collection of assessments for the improvements of streets therein.

Section 3. It is further ordered that the notice above provided for be published three times in the Daily Mail Tribune, a newspaper published and of general circulation in said city, in the manner provided by ordinance No. 250 of said city.

The foregoing ordinance was passed by the city council of the city of Medford on the 7th day of December, 1909, by the following vote: Merrick absent, Welch aye, Elfert aye, Emerick aye, Demmer aye, Wortman aye.

Approved December 8th, 1909.
W. H. CANON, Mayor.
Attest: ROBT. W. TELFER, Recorder.

ORDINANCE NO. 281

An ordinance fixing the salary of the city recorder of the city of Medford.

Section 1. The salary of the recorder of the city of Medford is hereby fixed at the sum of one hundred and twenty-five dollars (\$125) a month, to take effect January 1st, 1910.

Section 2. The same shall be payable out of the general fund of said city.

The foregoing ordinance was passed by the city council of the city of Medford on the 21st day of December, 1909, by the following vote: Welch aye, Merrick aye, Elfert aye, Demmer aye, Wortman aye, Emerick aye.

Approved December 22, 1909.
W. H. CANON, Mayor.
Attest: ROBT. W. TELFER, Recorder.

ORDINANCE NO. 282

An ordinance making the annual tax levy of the city of Medford, Oregon, and the Medford road district for the year 1909.

Section 1. There shall be levied for the year 1909 the following taxes upon the assessed valuation of all the taxable property in the city of Medford, Oregon, as shown by the assessment roll for Jackson county, Oregon, for the year 1909, for the following purposes, to-wit:

For city purposes, four mills on the dollar.

For debt fund, for payment of interest on city debt, seven and one-half mills on the dollar.

For street and road purposes, two and one-half mills on the dollar. The levy for street and road purposes shall be levied upon all of the taxable property in the city of Medford and in the Medford road district.

For general sewer purposes, two and one-half mills on the dollar.

For park purposes, one-half mill on the dollar.

For library purposes, one-tenth of a mill on the dollar.

Section 2. It is hereby made the duty of the city recorder to certify to the county clerk of Jackson county, Oregon, the levy made by this ordinance.

The foregoing ordinance was passed by the city council this 21st day of December, 1909, by the following vote: Welch aye, Merrick aye, Elfert aye, Demmer aye, Wortman aye, Emerick aye.

Approved December 21, 1909.
W. H. CANON, Mayor.
Attest: ROBT. W. TELFER, Recorder of City of Medford.

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